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Instrument with Improved Light Path

AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 14,

2006. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this Amendment.